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BULGARIAN AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION UP: MILK PROCESSING, DELIVERY LAG; ALRANIA EXPANDS CULTUVATED AREA

CROP PLANTINGS SURPASS 1945 -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Auszenhandel, 7 Feb 51

According to the 1950 report of the Bulgerian State Planning Commission, Bulgaria's industrial production in 1950 showed as increase of 23.3 percent as compared with 1949. Similar progress was rade in agriculture. The area planted in wheat was increased 22 percent and that for mye 30 percent. Average wheat crops were 110 percent greater in 1950 than in 1949 and rye crops 87 percent. The number of agricultural machinery and tractor stations increased from 86 to 95.

In nationalized enterprises and occoperatives, the sales turnover showed a rise of 16.3 percent. Workers employed there in 1950 totaled 26,350. Average wages were stepped up 6.2 percent as compared with 1949. The industrial output of this sector was increased by 16 percent.

MILK-PRODUCTION PLAN NOT FULFILLED -- Sofia, Lagrev, 5 Apr 51

The plan for delivery of milk to the state is not being fulfilled. As of 20 March 1951, the year plan had been fulfilled only ? percent. The following okrugs especially are lagging: Flagoevgrad, which fulfilled its plan 1.4 percent, Burgas 2 percent, Khaskovo 2.4 percent, Ruse 4.2 percent, and Stalin 4.7 percent.

The milk-processing plan was not fulfilled in Lukovit, Svishtov, Karnobat, Elena, Nova Zagora, and Yambol okcliyas.

The following okoliyas had not delivered a single liter of milk as of 20 March 1951: Sofia (Svogen Rayon), Trum, Gotse Delchev, Petrich, Sandanski, Michurin, Devin, Zlatograd, and Kurdzhali.

The purchasing of eggs is not proceeding as planned because of poor supervision and organization.

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MORE VEGETABLES FOR SOFIA IN 1950 -- Sofia, Otechestven Front, 25 Mar 51

According to the 1951 plan, 100 percent more vegetables will be supplied to Sofia than in 1950. The vegetable-growing belt around the capital will be managed and supervised by the "Plod-Zelenchuk" (Fruit and Vegetable) Enterprise.

More than 2,000 tons of potatoes stored in trenches satisfied the needs of the working population of Solia during the entire 1950-51 winter.

The board of the Sofia Municipal People's Soviet 15 taking measures to improve the quality of bread. The construction of a bakery, which will have a production capacity of 80,000 loaves of bread daily, has just begun.

RECEIVE SOVIET COMBINES -- Sofia, Izgrev, 11 Apr 51

Kubrat, 10 April -- Five new Stalinets-6 combines arrived in Kubrat on 9 April 1951 from the Khar'kov Tractor Factory. Recently the farm machinery and tractor station in Balchik received eight combines from the USSR. Seven of these are of the Stalinets-6 type, while one is a self-propelled combine.

TO IMPORT FARM MACHINES -- Berlin, Nachrichten fuer Aussenhandel, 7 Feb 51

During 1951, Bulgaria is scheduled to import the following agricultural machines, mainly from the USSR: 1,200 tractors, 300 cultivators (tractor-drawn), 400 seed drills, 200 plows (tractor-drawn), 300 plows for shallow plowing, 200 combines, 300 Stalinets-6 combines, 200 binders, 110 mobile workshops, 30 tank trucks, 10 tree-planting machines, 10 large soil-sampling machines, and 90 small hand-operated soil-sampling implements.

CLOTH PRODUCTION INCREASING -- Sofia, Izgrev, 5 Apr 51

In 1950, the Bulgarian textile industry produced 8.5 million meters of wool cloth and 84 million meters of cotton cloth.

Until 9 September 1944 Bulgarian industrial users of waste depended exclusively on imports. Until that date, Bulgaria imported every year over 1,000 tons of woolen rags, 5,000-6,000 tons of bones for soap and glue production, and millions of kilograms of cellulose for paper production.

MORE PLANTS CULTIVATED IN ALBANIA -- Prague, Prace, 18 Apr 51

The area devoted to hemp culture in Albania will be 25 percent greater this year than in 1950, and that of tobacco and potatoes 20 percent greater.

A total of 414 more tractors and 900 more large agricultural machines will be used this year than in 1950.

AGRICULTURAL AREA EXPANDS -- Prague, Prace, 20 Apr 51

The area of land planted in Albania rose from 317,000 hectares in 1948 to 357,000 hectares in 1950.

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